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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Sir:

Mamoru Uchida residing at 2-72, Takenodai 2 chome, Nishi-ku, Kobe, Hyogo, Japan duly deposes and says:

1. That he graduated from Department of Chemical Science and Engineering, Faculty of Engineering, KOBE UNIVERSITY, Hyogo, Japan, in the year 1979, and he received the degree of Master of Chemical Science from GRADUATE SCHOOL OF KOBE UNIVERSITY, Hyogo, Japan in the year 1981;

2. That since 1981, he has been employed in the capacity of Sumitomo rubber Industries, Ltd.;

3. That from 1996 he has been engaged in development for compound.;

4. That he has read and is familiar with the instant application for United States Letters Patent and Office Action thereto mailed November 16, 2004.; and

5. That he has made experiments in order to show that when

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